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New Academy Allows Radiology Professionals to Enhance Leadership Skills

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (February 8, 2012) — The Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) has joined with three other radiology education societies in sponsoring the Academy of Radiology Leadership and Management (ARLM) to give radiology practitioners the opportunity to develop professionally.

As the field of radiology continues to evolve and healthcare faces mounting financial challenges, leadership skills are becoming even more critical. Launched in 2011, ARLM combines existing leadership and management courses under one umbrella.

"Radiologists will find the program accessible, affordable and highly effective," said N. Reed Dunnick, M.D., chairman of the RSNA Board of Directors and an RSNA representative to the ARLM Steering Committee. "Radiologists who are serious about the responsibilities of leadership positions will want to complete an ARLM curriculum."

ARLM courses are offered by the four sponsoring organizations: RSNA, the Association of University Radiologists (AUR), American Roentgen Ray Society (ARRS) and the Society of Chairs of Academic Radiology Departments (SCARD).

ARLM builds on educational programs and resources offered by the sponsoring societies online and at their annual meetings. The goal of ARLM is to organize the educational pursuits of radiology professionals to ensure that they are exposed to content across the critical domains of leadership and management.

Medical imaging professionals can earn a Certificate of Achievement from ARLM by participating in 50 hours of education—including at least 30 hours in person—across a spectrum of core learning domains, including financial skills, human resources, professionalism, legal/contracting, academic mission and more. A minimum of three continuing medical education (CME) hours in each domain is required.

Course curriculum includes important issues facing medical imaging professionals, such as Quality Assessment and Improvement in Radiology, Ethics and Professionalism in

Research, Conflict of Interest, Critical Issues Facing the Profession of Radiology, and Clinical Portfolios, among others.

There are no fees beyond costs associated with CME activities—and many of those are free to members of the respective sponsoring societies. Additional information on the program is available at www.radleaders.org.

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RSNA is an association of more than 48,000 radiologists, radiation oncologists, medical physicists and related scientists committed to excellence in patient care through education and research. The Society is based in Oak Brook, Ill. (*RSNA.org*)